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Partial Translation of Koyama

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Paragraph [0035]

The conveying rollers 12 are driven by the same drive motor for driving the discharge roller 9, which allows the recording paper P to be stably conveyed while a constant distance with the ink head 8 is held. The slack of the recording sheet P can be suppressed by conveying the recording sheet P in a state where the discharge roller 9 stretches the recording sheet P as compared a state where the registration roller 6 feeds the recording sheet P into the printing region. Therefore, the rotation of the conveying rollers 12 are driven by the drive for the discharge roller 9 as a reference, so that the recording sheet P can be stably conveyed.